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**THE ZINC MARKET**

By far the largest producer of zinc ore which supplies the United States with its metallic zinc is Joplin; and at this moment when the price of zinc ore is touching the highest price on record in the United States, it is very interesting to consider such a statement as the following from the last number of the Mining Magazine:

"In the last five years the output of the Joplin district, despite increasing prices has remained practically stationary. In a district such as this, where the number of operators as yet precludes any effective artificial regulation of prices, there can be but one explanation—the ore has been mined costs more. The large, rich, shallow pockets of lode which afforded such a field for the activities of the sublessee are being rapidly worked out, and corresponding ore bodies have not been found."

"The ore bodies now being developed to keep up production are coming from somewhat greater depths and give less surface indications of their presence. More and deeper drilling has become necessary and this in turn increases the cost of development and portages the day of dividends. To mine the ore more water must be handled, and, in general, more drilling and blasting done."

The fact that the chief American source of zinc ore is showing signs of exhaustion has been the subject of articles in the engineering journals for some time past; and the best comment on it is in the strenuous efforts in development throughout the states where any alternative supply of zinc ores can be developed, in spite of which the price of zinc ore is still going up and up, indicating insufficient and precarious prospects of supply.

Meanwhile the consumption of zinc and the demand for zinc products in all forms are steadily increasing and, where is Kootenay? If the United States owned a district with half the wealth of zinc ore developed which Kootenay can have, it would become as the most active and most prosperous industrial center in the continent; but, what about Kootenay?

For the past year, piles of zinc ore and concentrates which to become would have been thrown into the creeks as refuse two years ago—have been being used, though the magnetic separation processes which are in force in a dozen places in the States could be working mining them into cash; and what a stimulus to local development it would be for the bodies of zinc ore which alternate with the bodies of lead ore could be made pay for nothing.

**PLAINLY AN IMPOSTOR**

"So ye be from New York, stranger?" said the landlord of the Palace hotel at Popper Falls.

"Yes," assented the traveler, whereupon the village loungers suddenly came out from their traces and became half awake.

"Great place, I calculate," continued the landlord.

"Yes, quite a place," said the traveler. "Quite a lot of people from Popper Falls is down in New York."

"Yes,"

"You'll Praps ye know some on 'em. Know Jake Berodilly, stranger?"

"Jakes? Why he's quite prominent, he is. Funny ye don't know him. He drives a hack. Seems 'e ye'd know him?"

A look of surprise went around the group, and the landlord continued:

"Rockon ye know Ben Allen, stranger? He's very prominent, a special employee of one of the stores down there. I don't see 'em 'ere, but it's quite a store. Know him stranger?"

"I don't seem to recall the name. New York is quite a place you know."

"Years, but Beck's party well-known. Tell ye one letter from here ye do know, though. I'll bet ye know Dave Fitzgibbons. That?"

The group clapped their knees and roared in triumph, of course the stranger knew Dave.

"You do, don't ye?" laughed the landlord. "Ye know Dave Fitzgibbons?"

"I don't think the name is familiar," said the guest, "but perhaps I do know him. He is his line of business?"

"How can he be a stranger, stranger. There, of course ye know him for down here, he's a doctor. Come tell me now Dave is a doctor?"

"I never heard of Dave. You must be mistaken about that."

But he looked around on empty seats. The landlord and the loungers had stood up at the window and were gazing back at him contemptuously.

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**Impediments.**  
 In 1797 Senator William Blount of Tennessee was impeached for treason in negotiating personally with Great Britain and was acquitted. On March 3, 1803, Judge John Pickens of the federal court in New Hampshire was found guilty on the trial of an impeachment of drunkenness and profanity on the bench and was removed. On March 12, 1804, William Chase, associate justice of the supreme court, was impeached. He was acquitted on March 1, 1805. Mentioning on Dec. 13, 1804, Judge James H. Beck of the federal court of Missouri was acquitted by the senate after impeachment by the house. On May 6, 1862, Judge West H. Humphrey of the federal court of Tennessee was removed for treason. In 1868, Andrew Johnson, president of the United States, was impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors and acquitted. In March, 1876, the former secretary of war, General W. W. Belknap, was impeached for bribery in making appointments. He was acquitted on Aug. 1, 1876. His was the last impeachment.

**Looking Pale in Wilmer.**  
 Two cots stood side by side in the Emergency hospital. On one was the form of a man, a great big, strong looking fellow. On the other was the figure of a boy, a little fellow not more than ten years of age. The head of each was swathed in bandages, and while the boy cried and moaned and sobbed.

"What's the matter, sonny?" asked the man as the boy cried aloud. "I fell off a cot," was the answer the lad returned between his sobs. "Hush for you!" returned the man. "I fell down a ship's hatch. Let's shush."

An hour later the nurse came into the ward and walked over to the cots. Both the patients were sound asleep and in the hairy net of the sailor rested the tiny hand of his little companion in misery.

**A Bit of Curran's Writ.**  
 An Irishman loves a joke so well that he keeps the memory of a good one always green. In a book of recollections by an old member of the Irish parliament is an amusing illustration of Curran's ready wit.

A certain judge, Lord Norbury, was famous for the severity with which he condemned prisoners to death when he might have pronounced a more merciful sentence. On one occasion when he was dining in public with the foremost members of the Dublin bar he helped himself to some meat at the same time eating:

"Is this lung beef?"

"Not yet," said Curran quickly. "Your lordship has not tried it."

**Beneficial Highland Remedies.**  
 A popular Highland remedy for both consumption and general debility was what is known as such a man color the juice of doves' houses. These were gathered in the hills when the animals cast them in the springtime. They were held for some hours in the sun—this obtained bottled after being strained. Candy sugar and whisky are usually added to it nowadays. Crows' shells pulverized and eaten on bread and butter were used for consumption, asthma and whooping cough in the Hebrides. Cleodemon Medical Journal.

**Robbers Make Use of This Herb.**  
 In New Caledonia there is said to be an herb which has the rare property of revealing one's secrets. It is known as the Datura stramonium and has white flowers and rough berries full of dark grains. They are trodden in the hands of the robbers in the mountains.

"A person who has swallowed the tea made of this herb will after falling asleep tell where his money is hidden and will also arise and go direct to where his treasure is concealed. Robbers often use this tea on knockout drops with which to rob their victims."

**Crab Shells as Barometer.**  
 A curious barometer is said to be used by the remnants of the Arakanian race which inhabits the southernmost province of China. It consists of the cast off shell of a crab. The dead shell is white in fair, dry weather, but the approach of a moist atmosphere is indicated by the appearance of small red spots. As the moisture in the air increases the shell becomes entirely red and remains so throughout the rainy season.

**Sleep For Insomnia.**  
 Patient—"Can you give me something for insomnia?" Physician—"I can recommend something, which amounts to the same thing. Patient—for heaven's sake, tell me at once. Physician—There is in fact only one sure remedy for sleeplessness, and that is sleep. Three dollars, please."

**Lucky Dog.**  
 "My luck is the best any man ever had."

"The dence it is?"

"Yes, sir. A girl refused me yesterday, and I saw by the morning paper that her father has lost all his money."

**Lawrence Barrett's Memory.**  
 I have seen Mr. Lawrence Barrett, the actor, receive 200 visitors, most of them strangers, at a party and afterwards told them all followed by name, giving no mistakes as for I could discover—London Express.

**Two Lads.**  
 "Advice to a newly married couple is so useless."

"Yes—all the harm is done then."

We may glean knowledge by reading, but the stuff must be separated from the wheat by thinking.

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## K. C. Railway News.

Monday evening W. S. Santo drove into Wilmer from Thunder Hill with Mr. McDonald, superintendent of C. P. R. freights, and Mr. Tiernai, a C. P. R. contractor. It was learned that Mr. McDonald was here for the purpose of investigating the amount of freight that could be had when the railway was completed. He had interviews with R. R. Bruce and Thos. Starbird concerning the mining output and other business men for general information. Mr. Tiernai was here to gain a general knowledge of the country with a view to taking a contract. At noon Tuesday F. L. Snook started off with them for Golden.

Mr. Parlee, representing the Trail smelter, left for Golden last week. He has been here for sometime examining various properties. It is generally conceded that his mission was more particularly connected with the railway.

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### AN OLD INDIAN LEGEND.

Tradition of the Origin of Wheat, Corn and Tobacco.

"I have been favored with an Indian tradition concerning the origin of tobacco, Indian corn and wheat, which, although you may have seen it before, I shall relate," said the poet laureate of all the Pascaguitas.

"At some distant period two Indian youths, pursuing the pleasures of the chase, were led to a remote and unfrequented part of the forest, where, being fatigued and hungry, they sat down to rest themselves and to dress their victims. While they were thus employed the spirit of the woods, attracted as it is supposed by the unusual and savory smell of the venison, approached them in the form of a beautiful female and seated herself beside them. The youths, awed by the presence of so superior a being and struck with gratitude for the consideration which she had shown them in becoming their guest, presented to her in the most respectful manner a share of their repast, which she was pleased to accept and upon which she regaled with seeming satisfaction.

"The repast being finished, the female spirit, having thanked them cordially for their attention and informed them that if they would remain in the same place after the revolution of twelve moons they would find something which would recompense their kindness, disappeared from their sight. The youths, having watched the revolving moons and having returned at the stipulated time, found that upon the place on which the right arm of the goddess had reclined an ear of Indian corn had sprung up, under her left a stalk of wheat, and from the spot on which she had been seated was growing a flourishing plant of tobacco.

### NEW YEAR'S CUSTOMS.

French families always make a special point of being reunited at the New Year.

The Romans always make it a practice to appear in new clothing on New Year's day.

The peasants of Italy hail the New Year by beating wildly on frying pans and shovels.

The custom of making gifts of the New Year is supposed to be the origin of the custom of the Romans.

On New Year's eve Chinese merchants pull down their old advertising posters and put up new ones.

In Greece the father of a family, however poor, must give his wife and each child a New Year present of money.

Scotsmen regard the tying of money on New Year's day as a very risky proceeding, even though it be in payment of a debt.

In Germany if salted and herrings only be eaten on New Year's day it is believed that money will be plentiful all through the year.

In Japan at the New Year business generally is suspended, both private and public. The Japanese only is the only man who works.

### Coal Is Folklore.

Probably most policemen could have answered the question of the magistrate who asked a burglar in court why he carried about pieces of coal. Among other coal folklore is the burglar's firm faith that the possession of a piece confers good luck, and when held by the early Britons, and it is certainly frequently found in their burial places converted into personal ornaments, such as beads, etc. Believers in dreams maintain that to dream of coal is a certain sign of coming riches. Then, too, there is the specimen or mirror of divination—that caused such a sensation in the sixteenth century—of Dr. Dee, which subsequently formed part of the Strawberry Hill collection. It was framed of camel coat, though the doctor pretended to have received it from the angels—London Chronicle.

**Struck Him Catastrophically.**  
Mr. Gaswell, who had come recently into the possession of a considerable fortune, had decided to erect a large office building and was discussing the plans with an architect.

"As to the doors, now," said the architect, "you would want them in mosaic patterns, I presume?"  
"I don't know about that," responded Mr. Gaswell, dubiously scratching his jaw. "I haven't got any prejudices against mosaic as a man, and he certainly knew a good deal about him, but when it comes to laying doors it is unnecessary-like. Don't it strike you that way?"

### Willing to Help Him.

"My husband is so poetic," said one lady to another in a car the other day. "Have you ever tried rubbing him with harshness liniment, ma'am?" interrupted a beefy looking woman with a market basket at her feet, who was seated at the lady's elbow and overheard the remark. "That'll straighten him out as quick as anything I know of. If he ain't got it too late!"

### His Drawback.

"They tell me," said the junior partner, "that the man to whom we have been sending so many bills belongs to a rather fast set."

"Well," answered the senior partner, "he may belong to the fast set, but he's a slow settler."—Exchange.

### Positive Poems.

Poor's Little Boy—Why do you call them "Positive Poems" papa? Poor's Little Boy—Because when I begin to read them my eyebrows generally rise.—Chicago Record Herald.

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### WINDERMERE ITEMS

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The hall was the scene of a pleasant gathering Monday night when a farewell dance was given. Miss Betty on the eve of her departure for her far away home. A number of people came over from Wilmer, Atholmer and Canterbury for the occasion and altogether the evening was a very enjoyable one. Everyone regrets the necessity that compels Miss Betty to leave our little community and one and all will look forward with pleasure to welcoming her back some future time. Music was furnished by Prof. Harrison of Wilmer. Those present were: Madames Smith, R. A. Kimpton, Washburn, Gallup, G. Chamberlain, Dow, W. Tegart, Ranch, Cameron, Stoddard, W. Taynton, Evans, Hunter, and J. Taynton; Misses A. Beattie, M. Norris, Bothe, Rutherford, Snook, Ford, Pearl Tegart and Evelyn Stoddard; Messrs. Eynth, Washburn, R. A. Kimpton, Gallup, G. Chamberlain, Dow, W. Tegart, Ranch, M. Cameron, C. Cameron, B. Hewetson, Snook, Williamson, J. E. Stoddard, Ellis, W. Stoddard, McMillan, Jenkins, Ross, H. Granger, G. Evans, Craig, Halton, Miller, J. Taggart, F. Nickelson.

Miss Betty, who has been visiting her cousin Mrs. E. St. G. Smith, of "Banquo," for the past eight months, left on the stage Tuesday morning for Cranbrook and from there will journey on to New York, from which port she will sail for England. Miss Betty has made a host of friends during her visit here and all wish her bon voyage.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Washburn with their two little ones left Tuesday morning for the hills, where they contemplate spending the winter. They will be greatly missed this winter and all regret their departure.

The Dominion elections take place tomorrow, Dec. 3, and the Outcrop's endeavor to get the returns that night.

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